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FOR READ CHANNELS IN A DISK DRIVE**

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Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR.  
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☐ Together with the present application.

☐ Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]

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☒ After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. **[37 CFR § 1.97(c)]**

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Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

☐ No separate requirements are needed.

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The fee of \$180.00 for submission of an IDS under § 1.97(c) as set forth in § 1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

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☐ Each item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or

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- ☐ This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior U.S. Application No(s). . The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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